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1. The authors keep referring to "light filed effect". What does it mean?

Reply: This is an excellent question! According to our best knowledge, "light filed effect" means that the suitable light irradiation can interfere electronic property of specific catalysts, such as electron transfer, band-bending, Fermi level and desorption energy of intermediate, and all of these factors can alter catalytic pathway and performance distinctly. To better understand it, we have added the related specification (Page 2, Line 14-17).

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Reply: Extensive studies have indicated Au and single-Co-atom catalyst displayed the most excellent electrocatalytic ability for CO production among metals (**J. Am. Chem. Soc.** 2014, 136, 40, 14107-14113) and single-atom catalysts (**Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.** 2018, 57, 7, 1944-1948; **J. Am. Chem. Soc.** 2018, 140, 12, 4218-4221), respectively. Furthermore, Cu species is the sole candidate for C2+

production. According to the reviewer's suggestion, we have added our explanation in the revised manuscript (see Page 3, line 9-11).

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Reply: Thank you for your professional advice. We have added the metal loading in Supplementary Table 2.

Compared with Cu (+2) and Co (+2), Au atom shows the valence state of +3 on HNTM-Au-SA (see Figure. 2C), which may be more difficult to anchor in the center of porphyrin unite, and result in lower loading amount. The low Au loading can be also confirmed by EDS elemental mapping of HNTM-Au-SA (see Supplementary Figure 3d), which shows weak Au element signal. However, HNTM-Cu-SA and HNTM-Co-SA displays strong Cu and Co signal, respectively, corresponding to higher metal loading (see Supplementary Figure 8-9).

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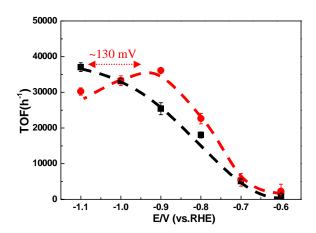
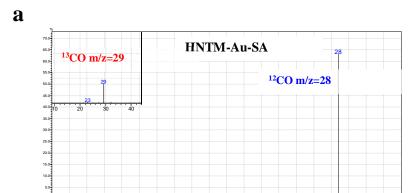
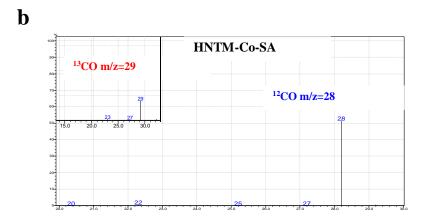


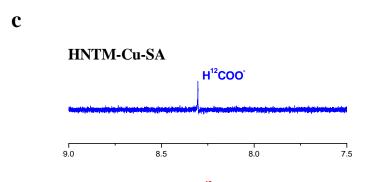
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Reply: To prove the origin of the products, we carried out ¹³C-labled isotopic experiments by using ¹³CO₂ as carbon source, and the generated CO and HCOOH was analyzed by GC-MS and ¹H NMR, respectively. As shown in Fig. S13a,b, only ¹³CO (m/z=29) was detected on HNTM-Au-SA and HNTM-Co-SA, which is different from the ¹²CO (m/z=28) when using ¹²CO₂ as carbon source. In addition, the peak assigned to H¹²COO⁻ is observed at 8.3 ppm (Fig. S13c). However, the 1H NMR spectrum of the electrolyte exhibits a doublet after ¹³CO₂ electrocatalysis, which is attributed to the methine proton of H¹³COO⁻. These results prove that both CO and HCOOH are originated from CO₂ reduction, and not from the organic residue in the electrolyte or MOF material. We have added related description in our revised manuscript (see Page 7 and 8).





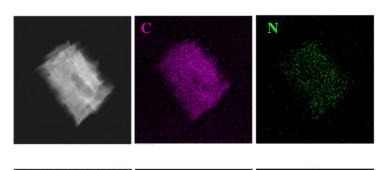


Supplementary Figure 13. Isotope labeling study. Mass spectra of ¹²CO (m/z=28) formed on (**a**) HNTM-Au-SA and (**b**) HNTM-Co-SA. Insets show mass spectra of ¹³CO (m/z=29) when ¹³CO₂ is used. **c**, ¹H NMR spectra of the electrolyte after ¹²CO₂ (blue spectrum) and ¹³CO₂ (red spectrum) electrolysis.

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Reply: Thank you very much for pointing this out. According to your knowledge, the TEM sample holder of JEM-2010F FEI contains trace Au element that may increase noise signal and disturb element imaging. In addition, low Au loading leads to weak Au element signal, thus decreasing the image contrast.

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